Election And Referendum Tomorrow

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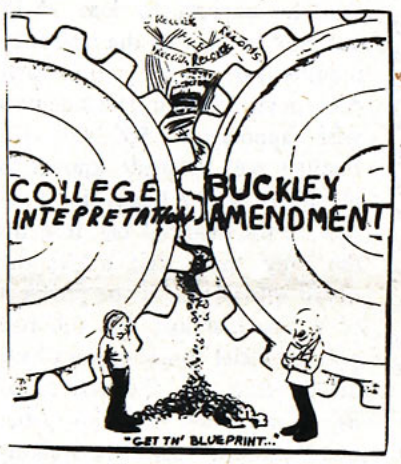
New Federal Law

Will Students Ever Get To See Their Records

"The Buckley Amendment," part of the Education Amendments of 1974, went into effect on November 19, 1974. This amendment grants students under 18 years of age the right to inspect, challenge, and to a certain extent control the release of information from their school files.

The first provision of the amendment denies "Federal funds to any state and social educational agency, school, institution of higher learning or community college which does not comply with the said amendment." That is, if students or parents of students under 18 years of age are denied or prevented the right to review all official files, records, or data directly related to him /her, the institution denying such rights will loose their federal funding. "This includes all materials incorporated in students' cumulative files, and intended to be used by other schools and future employers. Examples of these are: levels of achievement, attendance data, scores of standardized intelligence and aptitude tests, psychological tests, health and family background information, and reports by teachers and administrators of serious or recurrent behavior patterns." Each college must establish "appropriate" procedures for granting access to files, which must be within 45 days of the request for it.

"Letting one know his IQ is dangerous," said Mr. James Christiansen, Registrar of Saint Leo College. "It may hurt them, knowing, more than will help them. We do keep them on hand (IQ scores), since they come with your high school transcripts, but we don't use them because we don't believe in them." Christiansen also stated that "a provision like this ruins confidentiality with respect to previous transcripts



(which contain recommendations about students which are supposed to be kept confidential and used only for admission and counseling), and also the sincerity and exactness of future recommendations."

The second provision requires giving a parent of a child under 18, or the student his/herself the "opportunity to challenge the content of his/her records, to insure that the records are accurate, and that they are not misleading, and in no other way violate the privacy or rights of students. This provides them with the opportunity to correct or delete inaccurate or inappropriate data conatined within the students' files.

The next provision again excludes federal monies to those schools whose policies permit the release of "personally identifiable records or files or personal information contained therein" of a student without his/her written consent to "any individual, agency, or organization other than the following:

A.) other school officials, including teachers within the institution, or local educational agencies who have legitimate educational interests."

To this Mr. Christiansen remarked that even one of the Board of Trustees could look at your file if he so cared as a benefactor of students.

"B.) Officials of other schools in which the student intends to enroll (but the student must be informed of the transfer), must receive a copy of the record if desired, and again must have an opportunity to challenge the content of the record.

"C.) Enumerated government officials such as the Comptroller General of the United States and the Secretary of H.E.W.

"D.) In connection with a student application for or recipient of financial aid."

"Over half of the students attending Saint Leo are on financial aid," Christiansen said. "According to this law anyone who is on financial aid can have their personal records and information released without their consent to banks, state agencies, foundations, benefactors, and even the College Scholastic Service. Before this law went into effect, if any of these agencies asked for personal information on a student, we replied with remarks on how he/she was doing, but never released any type of record."

The next provision cuts off federal funds to any college if it has a "policy or practice of furnishing in any form any personally identifiable information contained in personal school grades to any persons other than those listed in the preceeding provisions, unless there is written consent from the student specifying the records to be released, or in compliance with judicial orders or subpoenas."

"Grades are no longer being sent home, unless you have signed the permission slip to do so, otherwise all grades will be sent to

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Bandits Get $11,600

FBI IN In Hot Pursuit

Richard Mente

Law enforcement agencies from Pasco County, San Antonio, Saint Leo and the FBI are still hunting the two fugitives on a motorcycle who held up the San Ann Credit Union Friday Dec. 6 and made a successful escape bearing $11,600 in cash.

The robbery occurred at approximately 11:15 a.m. as two of the clerks, Ms. Roxine Gude and Ms. Sharon Garren were returning from a Dade City bank with the money. As they parked the car, a motorcycle pulled alongside of Ms Gude (the driver's) door. As she opened the door, she was shoved against the side of the car by the man who was on the back of the motorcycle. He grabbed the money from behind the seat and the pair fled west on Pennsylvania Avenue, turned north on Curley Street and were last seen heading north on SR 577.

The two men were said to be heavy set men in their twenties. They were wearing helmets and their faces were partially covered by kerchiefs. The two men were reportedly riding on an orange 750 Honda.

This reporter asked Charles Gordon, chief of security, about the investigation. His overall response was "no comment," although he did say that "the suspects aren't locals, the FBI is checking leads at MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa." He concludes that "the fugitives will be caught and that it's just a matter of time."

When the Credit Union in San Ann was asked, "What was $11,600 doing in the back of the car?" the response was, "No information is being given out. It is being investigated by the FBI No comment."

The investigation by the FBI is being led by Agent Jacobson of the Tampa Bureau of the FBI who wasn't available for comment. Agent Goss, leads supervisor for the Tampa branch, was available for comment though. Goss said, "There are a lot of leads, but no arrests at present. There is no telling when any arrests will be made, but we're pursuing every angle."

BULLETIN: There apparently has been a break in the San Antonio Credit Union Robbery. The motorcycle used in the robbery has been found in the groves off of Oak Street and according to Saint Leo Police a suspect is now being sought.

Twelve College Union Board Seats Open

On Friday, December 13, the students of Saint Leo College will vote on members of the College Union Board. They will also vote on the newly implemented residency requirement that takes effect with this year's freshman class. The Board of Trustees made the requirement during this past summer, in hopes of keeping all students in the campus residence halls. Until now, students were allowed to move off campus, providing they were 21 years of age, or had a valid excuse not to live on campus.

Monarch Christmas Awards

The following are offered by the staff as reflections on the semester:

To the manager of the Cage, Marcus Baker, affectionately known as money bags, we bestow the "One for You, Two for Me" award. To the man in charge of housekeeping, Willy Glover, we give the "Good Housekeeping Seal," with an honorable mention going to Jesse for keeping the St. Eds bathrooms sparkling. To the college social director, Hazel Whitman, the "Best Sport of the Year" award. To the managers of the cafeteria, Mr. & Mrs. Claude Highsmith, the "Betty Crock" award. To Father Tim, a gift, a baptismal pool for himself. The "Leave the Driving to Me" award, along with other honorable mentions too numerous to list, go to the Chief of Security, Mr. Charlie Gordon. To the Director of Public Information, the "Ron Ziegler" award. To the Registrar, Mr. James Christiansen, the "Classic Statement of the Year" award for his statement, "We're not in the rip-off business." To Mr. Paul Shaw, the Dean of Men, an all expense paid weekend in Roderick Hall for two, before or after promised renovations, the date is up to him. To the Chairperson of the Resource and Recovery Committee, one free Saint Leo College ecology button. To Harry Gill, the "Guide of the Year" award, presented by the Soviet Tourist Bureau, Intourist. To Dr. Jim Horgan, a basket of cheer, courtesy of Ernest and Julio. For his obvious talent at humoring any occasion, the "Ha, Ha, Ha" award to Ed Lachance. To Dr. Woodard, compliments of the Saint Leo College management, Free Golf Privileges. To Chas Savio, we offer the role of stand-in, in the Geiger production of "Joe Le Duc." You guessed it, Louis O'Gorman gets the highly prized "Hot to Trot" award. To the Development Office Vice President, Mr. Allan Powers, we attribute the question, "Have you seen my new car?" as he was the man to whom these famous words were spoken, ". . . take mine, I will get another." These words were rumored to have come from the Office of President. To Athletic Director, Norm Kaye, a free pass to exit the castle and take the course, The Psychology of a Jock and How Not to Destroy Team Spirit. To Virgil, the kindly old gentleman who gives out tickets to the deserving, a personalized badge with the inscription, "It's been a pleasure." Special mention is made of the following: "Quote of the Year" award for the statement, "Fraternities are the only democratic institutions left in America." to Rich Catalano The award of the "Joint Chiefs of Staff" to Ed Markey for dedication basically beyond the call of duty. To the former President of the Senate, Kevin Callahan, the "I Fooled You for a Year" award. To former Editor of the Monarch, Jim Biondi, the "Most Likely to Succeed" award for demonstrated ability to hold a job. A night with the queen and king for a day is awarded along with Greek Weekend to Senate President, Dennis Mullen. To Leo the Lion, we donate one copy of the album, Born Free.

Not wanting to be excluded from this personality parade of semester one, the Monarch staff gives Al Love a pro shop with love. We give Grandpa Schellenberg a real live grandma to play with. We offer Joe Grund a full scholarship to the Yellow School of Journalism. We hope to receive a postcard from national affairs editor, John Gallagher, who is flying Linda. Jerry Mulligan has qualified for a night with Barry Goldwater, but Barry turned him down. We ask Rich Daniels to adjust his lenses. We want to note the fine services of Anna Marie, our version of Mama Celeste. We also want to note the work of our capitalistic consultant, Rich Mente. Two prizes are to be awarded: the Pulitzer Prize to Liz Shonter and to the infamous editor of this publication, who has on occasion been referred to as a pisshead, SOB and other assortables, Greg Copeland, is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for effort.

The grand prize goes jointly to College President, Thomas B. Southard, and Student Body President, James V. Loiacono; free space in the Monarch to print their joint statement plotting a course of joint action, listing specific goals that the two leaders wish to attain by gradutaion day 1975. (Please redeem your prize soon. –ed.)

Residency Requirement

Students Urged To Vote No !

COMMENTARY

By John Gallagher

When voters take time out to vote on the representatives of the College Union Board this Friday, they will be faced with an issue that has been placed on the ballot as a referendum. The question will ask your opinion on the newly implemented residency requirement that takes effect with this year's freshman class. Perhaps a further explanation is needed. For years students have complained about the condition of their residence halls, in vain, to say the least. Administrators and members of the Board of Trustees fully recognize the situation and are constantly reassuring us that something will be done "over the summer." When we return in the fall, we find that the situtation has only worsened because of the camps and other programs that are housed in the dorms. And the situation appropriately labeled "the BS circuit" begins over again.

These people cannot fully understand our situation because they aren't in it. They drive home after work to the comfortable confines of an expensive home, probably 50 times larger and at least 50 times more comfortable than our rooms.

Until now, the sole means of escaping our seemingly incurable problem has been to move off campus. The Board of Trustees, adding insult to injury, initiated this new residency requirement with the intent of confining ALL students to residence hall living, ignoring the fact that most of us are over 18 years of age and as clearly capable of making the decision of where to live as are any adults.

Last month this writer circulated a petition stating, "The Board of Trustees should overturn their newly implemented residency requirement until the renovation of the residence halls is complete." Nearly 400 students (almost half) signed this petition. The Student Rights Committee of the SGA will be sending out letters to parents of all freshmen, explaining the situation here at Saint Leo. Mr. O'Gorman has been working on a study, showing that he expects to lose 15-18 students because of the residency requirement. The tuition and other revenues from 18 students a year approaches $50,000. His findings will be made known to the Board in the hopes that they will see the financial loss. It seems the only thing that moves the Board into action is the prospect of a financial loss. It's too bad only financial considerations have much effect on the actions of Board members and not other considerations, such as treating students like human beings.

The argument that no money is available needs clarification. There is money available, if the Board cared about the situation to any great degree. When money for the Activities Center was needed, it was found and, more recently, when money for the athletic field was needed, it was found. One might consider that these are things that are seen by visitors and parents while they are considering sending their offspring here.

Are the rooms and bathrooms visible to that many outsiders? Many argue that, if the dorms are renovated, the heavy damage that students do to property will destroy them. Students damage the dorms simply because they are frustrated by their surroundings and are trying to change it by destroying it. They choose not to run the "BS circuit." When you go home during the holidays, and your parents ask you what's happening, just show them a picture of your room – and, if you dare, maybe the bathroom. It has been said, "A picture is worth a thousand words." So, when you go out to vote tomorrow, vote NO on the residency requirement – we may get one step closer to changing the whole situation. . . .

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Could Mickey Mouse Make At It St, St. Leo?

By Liz Shonter

It is time for this semester's evaluation; papers are due and finals are next week. But the overall view on campus is not very optimistic. Academic apathy seems to have set in, affecting both students and teachers. Everyone seems to have had their little fill of "college life." What is most important now though, is to find out what the causes and repercussions of the end of semester slump are. Many students are currently running around looking for their advisors to help with pre-registration for semester II. What are students looking for in classes? Easy A's, coherent subject matter, or just the need to fulfill a requirement? A conglomerate of these, and other reasons spring up as answers. Unfortunately, most of the answers are better left unexpressed.

The student's problem seems to be: "Why bother with a difficult course? An easy A will raise my GPA and also give me extra time to enjoy the 'finer things of life.'" Or else it's "Where can I find a course that is interesting, applicable, and at the same time meaningful? I seem to have taken all that are such before! " Both are problems the student body faces, problems that to a certain extent are created by students, but problems that also are created by faculty.

There are a great number of courses to choose from (or so the college catalogue states). But actually what do these courses turn out to be? What are they built up to be? More than expected? Not even similar to the catalogue description? Or even nonexistent? These are all pressing problems, but the question is with whom does the faulty lie?

The answer seems to be mixed: the problem is the community's creation. Students' poor attitudes toward work and difficult teachers has contributed. But just as much faculty lack of interest and innovation has contributed. Each needs to be made more clear.

Students are sometimes out for "Mickey Mouse" courses. They turn to their "files" for papers, and take a course because the teacher is well-known for an easy A. Some fear not graduating, others want to take advantage of the opportunity to "raise" their GPA. No thought is given to raising their basic knowledge of life, its patterns and its facts. Only the easy out is looked for.

But faculty also are in on this game. Teachers sometimes disregard cheating, and let papers repeatedly be turned in that are plagiarized. Some have just given up hope and are letting students slide right through up until graduation day. They give break after break, until finally the student has outwitted the entire academic program, in a sense, "beaten the system." But at the same time, he/she is being beaten by it.

It's sad. It's damn sad to waste thousands of dollars yearly for incomeptent students to take infantile courses. And what is worse, is that although no one is singularly to blame, we are all collectively responsible. Simply because we let this well established pattern run its course. This finally results in everyone's failures.

It is understandable that some courses are boring and are, in fact, a waste of time. It is also understandable that some students so lack basic skills they can almost be tagged as hopeless. But is the situation totally beyond remedy? Would not expending the necessary energy to change this situation benefit all?

If students are "playing college" rather than attending it, maybe they ought to stay home and "play house." And if teachers are giving breaks, maybe it's time they reconsidered their actions. The result of their helpful hand is that Saint Leo graduates are not well versed, inside and outside of their fields. And if an employer hires one bad apple from Saint Leo, he surely will never hire another (good or bad).

So who suffers? All of us. Those who work hard and are serious about their studies are hurt by a substandard image of Saint Leo. And those who have gone the easy route are simply vegetables with a college diploma. And teachers certainly aren't benefiting; most seem to be more financially strapped than the students are. But even more important, teachers and students both are bored, frustrated, and apathetic.

It doesn't have to be this way. Maybe all should look within for the answers. Do I care, do I really care about myself, my future? Do I care, do I really care about them, their futures?

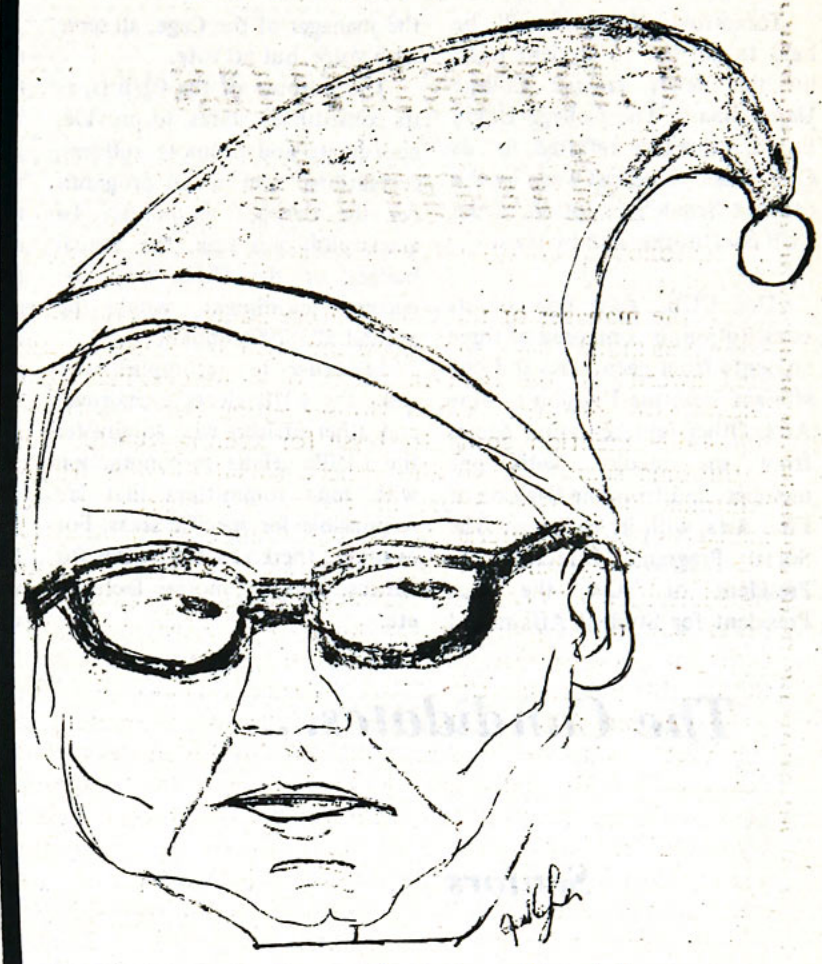
The power of numbers can do great things. And this power lies with each and every member of the academic community. College is merely a stepping stone to reality. It's a means of learning more about life and of matriculating into society. College is what you make of it, but it is also what you fail to make of it.

Some students, and some teachers, devote endless hours to the work of making life more meaningful and understanding. But students and some teachers ignore reality and are actors on stage. They play their part, act out their role, and never truly entend themselves. They feel their roles, but not their true selves. And this is a stepping stone to self-knowledge?

There is an answer, as was said before, within. And all can respond to it, by giving a damn. Think about what you want out of school, out of life. Think before you take 15 more hours of wasted time. And think, before you regurgitate the same ideas each semester. Think, before you give breaks, about what you're doing.

The semester is really over. But the rest of the year isn't over, and most everyone's college years aren't. So there is time to think, and to decide, and to act.

Seasons Greetings



We wish you a Merry Christmas-We wish you a Merry Christmas-We wish you a Merry Christmas-and a Happy New Year.....

Economic Efficiency Improper Measure Of Academic Value

by Gerard Mulligan

As the fall semester of classes comes to an end at Saint Leo, students often look back and evaluate the course and the teacher. It might be a surprise to many students that they are not the only ones evaluating their academic experiences.

Students consider many avenues of interpretation when discussing their semester's accomplishments, the work and preparation needed for completion, the stimulation received by course and/or teacher and to many, the most important, the grade received. Students also form an opinion, good or bad, of the instructor that moderated the particular class.

But to many it would be a shock to learn that the administration also evaluates the teacher and/or their course. But their method is quite different from the student's. The Academic Affairs Department of Saint Leo seems to evaluate the teacher by one numerical fact: the amount of students who are enrolled in courses.

The economics of this situation stink to high heaven. This college is supposedly a Catholic institution of higher learning, a college that is attempting to stimulate those who would not function well in more acedemically inclined institutions.

The instructors of courses whose attendance is wanting are often warned that there had better be an improvement in the next semester – or else.

Does the Academic Affairs Department consider the amount of knowledge received from the courses whose attendance is minimal?

Is the Academic Affairs Department asking the instructor to lower his/her requirements and raise his/her grades for the sake of better attendance?

Or is the Academic Affairs Depatment simply interested in how many students are investing their money in each course? It is simple logic: the more students who are enrolled in each class cuts down on the amount of classes that are offered and therefore cuts down on the amount of instructors that must be hired and paid.

Although in this time of recession economics must be considered, it should not be the only factor in running an academic institution.

If the administration could overlook the economic implications of small classes, they would see that this is the strongest aspect of Saint Leo's curriculum.

Most students could go to any state university in the country and attend a course with 200 other students. They're noted, often famous, professors could often be seen boarding jets for Washington to advise our troubled politicians.

Students at Saint Leo are offered the special benefit of getting to communicate personality with their instructors and seeking their guidance and sometimes advance intelligence.

The Saint Leo College Handbook states that "The liberal arts curriculum of Saint Leo College is designed to enable a student to present himself as a person of culture and conscience in our time."

But if the administration of this institution continues to force its economic woes on the faculty, the quality of the courses will fall to make way for the increased enrollment.

On the one hand, Dr. Peterson calls for the increase of academic integrity, but on the other hand, he asks for increased enrollment. The priorities of this college must be set, either it will be an institution interested in the academic future of its students, or it will be interested in an economic profit.

The theme of Saint Leo is "That in all things God may be glorified." The question should be asked, is this statement referring to the students, or the college bank account?

College Union Board Election

Tomorrow elections will be held to fill the 13 student posts on the newly created College Union Board. The College Union Board, otherwise referred to as CUB, was created last week by the Student Senate's adoption of the CUB constitution and by-laws.

The CUB, according to its constitution, is composed of three students from each class and one student from the Division of Fine Arts. Other representation comes from the faculty, with one member, and from the Division of Fine Arts, with its chairman. The Social Programs Director, the President of SGA, the Vice President for Student Affairs and the manager of the Cage, all serve with voice, but no vote.

The purpose of the CUB is, as its constitution states, to provide, coordinate and promote cultural, recreational and social programs for the college community. To accomplish this task, the annual budget of the CUB, with the current enrollment, would be around $23,700 annually.

In order to accomplish this task, the CUB elects a chairman and other officers who administer the CUB's affairs in conjunction with nine committees that are responsible for specific areas. For example, there is a committee for dances, concerts, movies, lectures, etc.

The board, in addition to deciding about different programs to sponsor, will also concern itself with the scheduling of events sponsored outside the CUB. This means that clubs and organizations that want to hold a dance or other such event on campus must present the event to the CUB for scheduling. No event can be held on campus without first going through the CUB.

The College Union Board takes effect in January. Students interested in working on the CUB will be needed to help selected committee representatives in their work. For further information, see SGA or the Student Affairs office in St. Eds.

The Candidates...

Seniors

BILL TUSON

In my first year as a Senator we voted to have a comedian entertain us on campus. I mentioned the name Justin Wilson, a well known cajun comedian from Louisiana, whose columns are best sellers. The SGA wrote him out because he couldn't make the dates that they wanted him. To this year on the soon-to-be disbanded social committee of the Senate, I have been chairman of the subcommittee on speakers and lecturers.

My program is to get either a senator here on campus and to press for a well-balanced speaker and lecture series for Saint Leo College.

RALPH PANDOLFE

I feel that the college community needs a broader program of concerts, social activities, lectures, films, etc. I feel that with the College Union Board we will have a more flexible program. We now have more money to work with and using it properly will be to our advantage. I have been here in the college community for five years and I feel that the College Union Board will be a needed change.

Juniors

BOB "PANDA" LENNOX

In my three years at Saint Leo I feel that the formation of the College Union Board (CUB) is the biggest change for the students since the beginning of the SGA. And with an annual budget of $23,700 to work with. I feel that Saint Leo will finally be able to get some top grade entetainment along with a few other improvements on campus. Namely, the Fine Arts Department, which has also given us a form of entertainment through the years. If elected, I would try to get a couple of top name rock bands to give a concert in the bowl and to improve the college theatre. One last thought, to most of you I am known as Panda, but on Friday would you cast your vote for Bob Lennox.

JOE VALENTI

Having been on the campus for three years, I have seen many movies and heard many concerts, some good, some not so good. It's time the students got their money's worth. Where's the $10 activities fee going to? More and better concerts and a wider selection of movies. This is what the student body has long been waiting for. Working around entertainment for two years has given me the experience which I believe is needed for this position. It is time!

Freshpersons

JOHN GALLAGHER

I am running as a freshman representative on the College Union Board because the concerts in the past have been of rather poor quality. I think most of the students would rather see one quality concert every two weeks than suffer the consequences of a poor one every weekend. I feel there is no reason to settle for less than we deserve, because it is our money that pays for the entertainment programs. The lecture series should be improved to stimulate interest among the student body.

I am a freshman representative on the Student Senate and the Student Rights Committee. I am also the National Affairs Editor of the Monarch, as well as a staff reporter.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

All candidates were contacted by Monarch and given the opportunity to place a statement with a photo in this issue. Paid political advertising space was offered to all candidates at the reduced rate of $1.20 per column inch. Appearance of statements and wording of those statements is the responsibility of the individual candidates and not this publication.

SAMPLE BALLOT

CANDIDATES FOR COLLEGE UNION BOARD

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT
Maurice Beal *

FRESHMAN CLASS
(Vote for Three)
Rich Daniels
Sterling Eaves
John Gallagher
Mari Steiner

SOPHOMORE CLASS
(Vote for Three)
Marian Gallagher
Ann Jamesson
Sharon Maynard
Kevin "Barney" Remachuk

JUNIOR CLASS
(Vote for Three)
Peter Angelone
Kevin Lamb
Bob Lennox
Rick Maline
Joe Valenti
Amy Ryan

SENIOR CLASS
(Vote for Three)
Bill Cullen
Nancy Donnelly
Steve Guinter
Ralph Pandolfe
Bill Tuson

* Won by acclamation

REFERENDUM VOTE FOR ALL STUDENTS

Are you in favor of the Board of Trustees residency requirement which requires ALL STUDENTS to live on campus?

Yes---- No----

Voting To Be Held In Student Center

Sophomores

MARIAN GALLAGHER

The main purpose of the CUB, as I see it, is to coordinate and improve the social life here at Saint Leo. Social activities are very important to college life; especially at a small, secluded college such as ours. On numerous occasions this semester, people have asked me if I had any ideas as to what they could do on a weekend without spending too much money and (an even more difficult problem) that wouldn't require transportation. The only solution would be to have more activties on campus and more organized trips to areas of interest.

I would also like to see the Cage become a more socially active place in order that the profits would go to the school (for more social activities.

SHARON MAYNARD

I am running as a sophomore class representative on the new College Union Board to improve the overall entertainment program here at Saint Leo College.

I would like to see better movies with more variety. I would also like to help establish a lecture series that caters to the interests of all the different academic concentrators.

I feel the need for the tennis courts to be provided with lights. I would like to have a committee established to clean up the litter and filth at the Cage.

I would also like to see the scheduling of social activities that don't conflict with one another. I think it's all important for communication with the student body to be improved.

"The Effeect Of Gamma Rays..." Engrossing

The success of this year's theatre presentations appeared rather dismal with the graduation of many theatre majors and the resignation of director Henry More, but this year's productions have proved to be more exciting and entertaining than ever before.

In the fall, a young energetic director was hired, James Miller, who had a world of experience behind him after completing a USO tour. The combination of his fine directing and the talent of five young vivacious girls brought "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man in the Moon Marigolds" to the Saint Leo stage.

This dramatic play, written by Paul Zindel, brought acting to the theatre, not just acting like acting, but the transformation of personalities into plausible characters. This burdensome task was accomplished several times by Beth Sands in her role as the unstable Beatrice. Janice Notaro played the role of Ruth, the product of her mother's neurosis. Her fits of screaming and anguish brought to light a side of Janice's talent never seen before by Saint Leo students. I hope her acting pursuits are here to stay. Tillie, a shy unaffected girl, was the center of much of the dilemma dealt with in the play. Sue Harper carried her calmly throughout the performance. An old trouper in the cast, Carmel Jasper acted the role of a doddering nonagenarian. Her role drew cruelty from Beatrice. Paige Brown, in a walk on part as Janice the cat boiler, reinforced my affection for the all girl cast.

All in all, the production of "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man in the Moon Marigolds" heightened the interest of theatre-goers in Saint Leo productions. Those in attendance were engrossed in the performance, not a whisper or a cough was heard during the dramatic monologues. This production enhanced the professionalism of the Saint Leo Theatre.

Saint Leo Abbey

Structure And Co-Existence

By Joe Grund

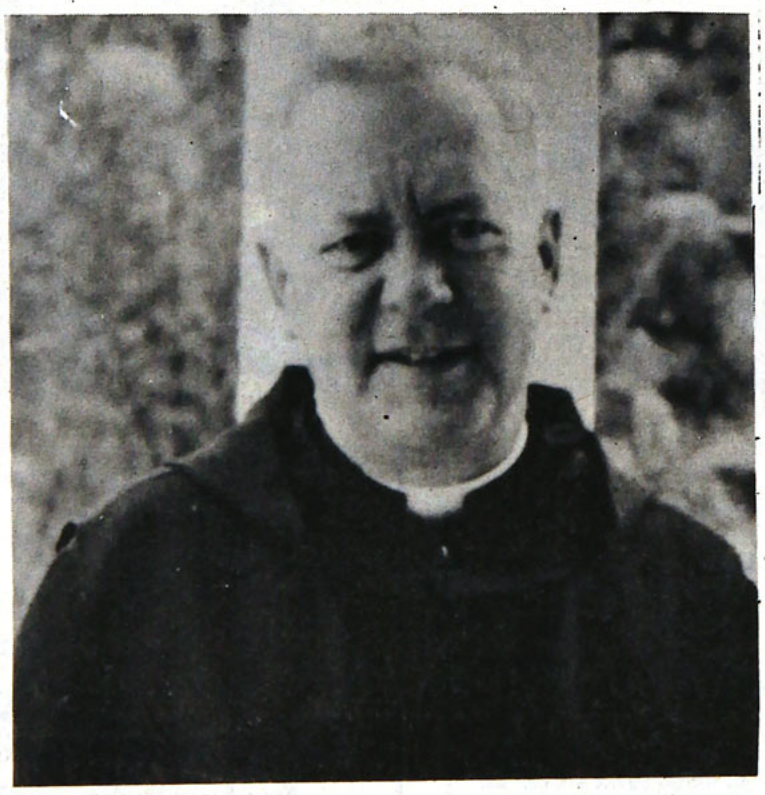
Upon reading the Saint Leo College catalogue, what was your first image of the school's educators? Was it that of solemn faced monks, those "who founded the college and have long been known as educators?" Did you read further and discern the religious status of the faculty? If so, then your belief that the Benedictines play an important role in the education process must have been reconfirmed. Well, if this was your interpretation, then you were misled.

The fact is that The Abbey, a separate corporate entity, detached itself from its educational responsibilities back in 1965 when it sold for one dollar all of the property Saint Leo College now functions on. Prior to this separation, the Benedictine Monks were solely responsible for the operation of the Saint Leo Military Academy and the Saint Leo Preparatory School, but, due to the financial burden of running a college and to a lack of qualified educators, the Abbey chose to relinquish its responsibilities. Why Saint Leo College clutches to the religious status of the Abbey is of great interest. I believe this identity is maintained to solicit the "right kind" of students to Saint Leo College.

As in every organization, the Abbey has an established hierarchy of authority. The religious leader in the highest position of authority is Abbot Fidelis. The abbot works closely with six monks, who make up the Council of Seniors. Of these siz monks, the abbot appoints three, and the other three are elected by the members of the community. The members of the community are all those monks who participate in monastic life. There are varying degrees of rights among the members of the community. For example, a novice (new monk) may sit in on meetings, as any other member of the community, but he may not vote.

The voting process as a whole is a very complicated one. It serves my purpose only to state that the abbot is elected for life by a majority vote.

Entering a monastic way of life is a serious and rigorous endeavor. The very first requirement of a man seeking to join a Benedictine monastery is that he be a male Catholic. Upon applying for admittance into the monastery, a man is invited to spend a weekend at the Abbey, where he receives a medical checkup and an interview with the prior.



Abbot Rt. Rev. Fidelis J. Dunlap

Once the applicant is accepted as a candidate, he is invited to spend two months living in the monastery. Upon completion of his candidacy, he becomes eligible to be a novice monk. According to Canon Law, a novice is required to make simple vows. These vows are recognized as promises by the Church and they don't require the consent of the Pope to discontinue them. The promises include celibacy, obedience, poverty and stability. After one year of novitiate, a monk enters a three year period where he becomes a junior monk. During these three years a monk prepares himself to make a vow of solemn profession which recognizes his previous promises as vows. If, during this period, a monk feels that he isn't prepared to make such a commitment or that he is incapable of monastic life, then he may petition for dispensation. If a monk feels he needs a leave of absence to make his decision, then the abbot may grant him a temporary leave.

Once a monk is prepared to enter monastic life, and after he makes his vows, then he may pursue a vocation acceptable to the abbot. If further education is desired, the abbey will finance it. A monk must study four years of theology in order to become a priest.

Now that the structure of the Abbey has been established, the question arises, how successful has the Abbey been in fulfilling its goals on Saint Leo College campus.?

According to Abbot Fidelis, the Abbey has found it difficult to operate on Saint Leo campus. Most of the members of the community find the atmosphere unconducive to monastic life. Serious consideration is underway to relocate the monastery off campus. The reasons are many and the problems with students has a long history. In past years students have incessantly destroyed the Abbey's means of support. Every year students mangle the Abbey's orange groves. Several years ago $15,000 in golf carts were destroyed by students. Students display irreverence to the church by disturbing daily prayers with profanity and horrendous behavior.

Nevertheless, the Abbey still provides religious services to the community in the form of counseling, daily Masses and ceremonial functions. How is the Abbey supposed to function with the college, when they continue to grow diametrically opposed in both function and purose? This is a dilemma which poses problems to both institutions. The college needs to maintain its religious affiliation and the Abbey needs to strengthen its communication with the youth of today. Neither goal is being accomplished under the present situation.

It is my speculation that the Abbey will relocate the monastery off campus. This would alleviate many of the problems the Abbey has had in maintaining the monastery, but if students continue to act in a disrespectful manner, then it will be impossible for either institution to accomplish its goals. It is also my belief that, if Saint Leo College wishes to remain "an institution of higher learning dedicated to Catholic ideals," then more attention must be paid in securing these ideals.

Auto Of The Week

Maybe you've seen this ancient relic of opulent days gone by, motoring blisslessly onto campus. This ultimate touring car is piloted by the distinguished Professor Harry Gill.

After a short stop at a Dempsey Dumpster, it ambles its way to a comfortable resting spot under shade in Saint Ed's parking lot. Professor Gill's meticulous preservation of this fine automobile has drawn envy from those who have observed its elegant operation.

Heads turn and people stand in awe, as it gracefully glides around the post office. Students stop and dream of the day their Saint Leo diplomas will bring them such fortune.

It is rumored that when this dream machine makes its last pilgrimage to Saint Leo that it will be erected as a campus landmark.

Was life dull for you this semester?

Are you looking to get more out of college than just classes and homework?

Do you have something to say, but are just having trouble trying to express yourself?

Do you find yourself seeking ways to kill time?

If your answer to one or more of the above questions was yes, stop by the Monarch office in Saint Leo Hall. We have the remedy to your problem, and you have the solution to our problem. Let's get together soon. Next semester is only weeks away.

COLLEGE EVICTS STUDENT FOR BOTHERING ROOMATE

A Jersey City State College freshman student who walked in on her roomate's lovemaking will be evicted from her dorm room, college officials announced. Her roomate charged her with harassment soon after the incident.

SIRICA WILL END TRIAL WITHOUT NIXON

It was announced by U.S. District Court Judge John Sirica that the Watergate coverup trial will end without testimony from former president Richard Nixon. Because of his health, Nixon is not required to testify before January 6th – two weeks after the trial is expected to end.

FORD'S PROGRAM NOT WORKING

Officials of the Ford administration concede that President Ford's voluntary energy conservation isn't working. Treasury Secretary William Simon said he will recommend that the President have the government resort to mandatory allocations of gas and other oil products to dealers – this could mean a return to long lines at gasoline stations.

MILLS ENTERS HOSPITAL AFTER HE LEARNS PLAN

Wilbur D. Mills, chairperson of the House Ways and Means Committee, was admitted to Bethesda Naval Medical Center after he learned that his colleagues plan to oust him from the chair. Mills, a once powerful man, until the Tidal Basin incident, was quoted as saying, "I'm – I'm totally exhausted. – I might have to resign the whole thing."

CONFERENCE FAVORS CURBS ON STRIP MINING

A Senate-House conference committee cleared a strong federal law limiting the environmental abuses of strip mining or surface mining of coal.

BUCKLEY AND PELL WILL CHANGE AMENDMENT

Senators James Buckley and Claiborne Pell announced that they will attempt to change sections of the "Buckley Amendment." The change would provide for confidentiality of existing letters of recommendation, permit students to waive the right to see selected documents, and restrict the rights of students to see their parents' financial statements.

Big Business Scores With Uncle Sam

PALMDALE, CALIF. (LNS) – A prototype of the new B-1 bomber was completed and displayed October 26 at the Palmdale, California plant of Rockwell International, the top B-1 contractor. The unveiling or "roll out", a traditional ceremony in the aerospace business, with dignitaroes giving glowing tributes to the aircraft, marks the completion of the first plane of a new design.

The B-1, a strategic bomber for nuclear and conventional war, has twice the bomb tonnage of the B-52 – 24 nuclear tipped missiles weighing 50,000 pounds. With its wings spread fully, it will be able to fly at low altitudes undetected by enemy radar, at speeds up to 700 mph for as long as four hours, hit its target with nuclear weapons or short range missiles, and then fold its wings and escape at supersonic speeds.

Despite the praise that was passed out in Palmdale, the B-1 program is in trouble because of its ever increasing price tag, making it perhaps the most expensive weapon in military history.

The American Friends Service Committee and Clergy and Laity Concerned, two national peace organizations, have been organizing protests against the bomber.

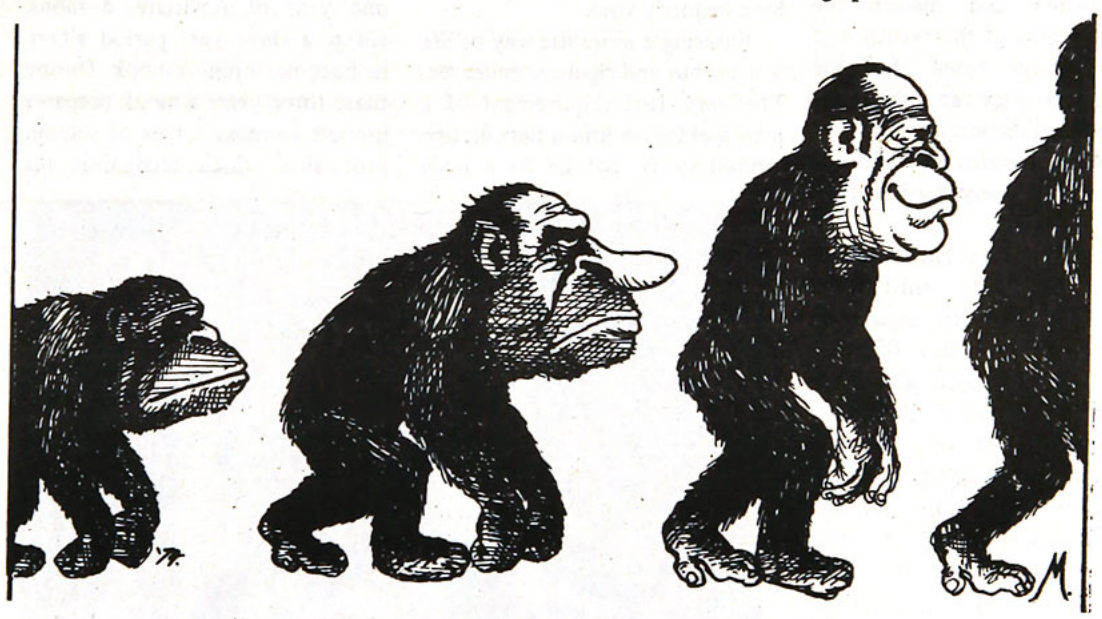
'Sure, I knew the rich were getting richer and the poor were getting poorer — but I thought I was one of the rich ones.'

According to Terry Provance, AFSC coordinator of the campaign, "We want to challenge the power of the corporate-military-government complex that is profiteering from the B-1 creation."

Early in October, the Defense Department disclosed that, due to inflation, its estimate of total B-1 program costs had risen from more than $3 billion from a March estimate, to $18.63 billion. Because of this, the price of one of the 244 planes that the Air Force hopes to buy has been pushed up to $76.4 million. The original planning estimate in 1969 was $35 million a plane. The new budget request will be presented to Congress in January.

Rockwell International, General Electric, and Boeing Corporation all had major contracts to work on the development of the B-1 bomber. Rockwell had a $1.37 billion contract to build the airframes, GE had a $458 million contract to build the engines and Boeing had a $774 million contract to provide the avionics equipment.

Weapons contracts are a profitable business. In 1971, the General Accounting Office reported that in their initial draft the average before taxes profit rate on weapons contracts was 56 per cent on investment in defense sales. However, Pentagon and military contractors succeeded in having the report revised so that 21.1 per cent was listed as the average profit rate.



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you at your Saint Leo address and other interest that such person has in seeking this information.

In reference to this provision, the execution of this shall be as follows: "With respect to this subsection, personal information shall only be transferred to a third party on the condition that such party will not permit any other party to have access to such information without the written consent of the student."

In accordance with this, Christiansen stated, "the problems arise when the third party comes in."

United States National Students Association President Kathy Kelly endorsed the bill and said that, "The association feels strongly that this bill will curb the arbitrary power that has so often been misused by school administrators and agencies allowed easy access to students records. Such access denied parents and even students themselves has negatively affected careers both in school and long after their tenure in the academic community."

James Christiansen stated that he felt the law contained a lot of ambiguities and, when asked how he felt about the amendment, he replied, "I feel it's a bad law because when you read it you don't know what it means." In reference to compliance with the bill, he said, "This is all we have to go by now, but by the time students return in January, we will have the guidelines from H.E.W., plus Buckley may amend his original amendment concerning confidential materials." Christiansen also stated that "We'll need to hire someone to sit in a room with you to watch you when you look at your records," and that "There's a possibility that there will be a fee charged when a student wants to look at the records."

USNSA President Kathy Kelly stated that "It's a matter of priorities; those who would delay implementation of the Buckley Amendment are telling us that the violation of their filing systems is more alarming than the violation of their students' rights."

Senator Buckley's office has indicated that he is willing to introduce a brief amendment to clarify any legitimate problems with the law.

Senate Approves Constitution

by John Gallagher

The Student Senate met last Thursday to examine the proposed constitution of the new College Union Board. After the entire constitution was read out loud, the Senate unanimously voted to accept it. The academic calendar was also accepted. It was announced that the McDonald Center cafeteria will extend its breakfast hours until 9:30, enabling more students to eat breakfast.

The Student Rights Committee announced that it will send letters out to the parents of freshman students, explaining the residency requirement and non-renovation of the dorms.

The Senate voted to put the question of the residency requirement as a referendum with the CUB elections, which will be held tomorrow in the Student Center. The meeting was recessed at 4:55. The next meeting will be held today at 4:00 p.m. in Selby Auditorium.

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Students who are interested in a May session involving travel in the Caribbean and Central America area, plus six credits in Economics and/or Political Science, should come by and notify Professors Fisk or Savio in Carmel Hall. Both instructors are familiar with the area and are planning a three week academic excursion, if student interest is high.

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Students who are scheduled to graduate by June, 1975, and who are interested in aspects of state government, especially the legislative branch, may be interested in the Florida Legislative Staff Internship Problem. Awards are for one year of internship at Tallahassee. Graduates assist the various committees of the Florida legislature and, in exchange, receive a yearly stipend of $6,000 plus invaluable experience in the legislative and public policy process. For additional information, see Prof. Savio (Carmel 14).

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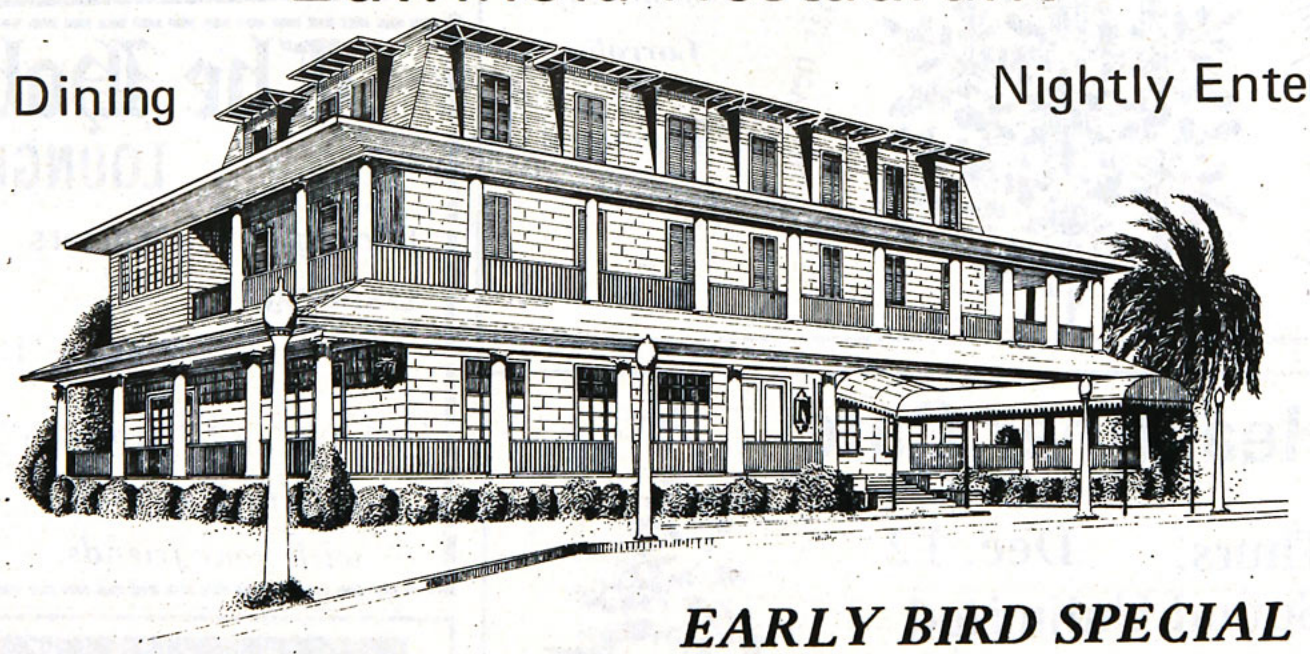

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Grandpa Socks It To The Jocks

From the Desk of
Grandpa Schellenberg

Ho! Ho! Ho! Sound familiar, uh? What about, "What would you like for Christmas, little boy?" Getting more familiar, right? OK, here are my last clues. Silent Night, Noel, Frosty and Rudolph. Got it right. Obviously, old chap. It is Christmas time in the city with old St. Nick jiggling down Santa Claus lane. Most of us, however, will sweat out the holiday season in the South.

But still, wherever we are or whatever we see, we all have heard of Santa Claus. For that matter, we have probably written to him at least once in our lifetime, telling him what to send us for Christmas.

Well, just for the time being, let's imagine Santa Claus as being a real fellow, full of gifts and laughs. And every December 12th he comes to the Marion Bowman Activities Center to pick up the letters addressed to "Dear Santa." Without further ado, let's see what the jocks would ask for if this was at all possible.

Dear Santa:

Send me a tape recording of Tommy Nobis insisting that I come to the pros and play football now.

James Giles

I would like to have four Golden Gloves Award, three Batting titles, two MVP awards and a partridge in a pear tree.

Tom Bonfield

• All I want for Christmas is my one front tooth.

Pete Kuhlman

A trip to Starke, Florida, to play in the "Flush Bowl" for whatever reason possible.

Football Team

Two tall girls, approximately 6'5", gift wrapped and addressed to "lonely boys." We'd like to add that anything will do, just make them tall.

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A yearly pass to quit the soccer team with one game left.

Nigel Galt, Michael Scott

A new birth certificate changing my last name. Maravich sounds good.

Dan Maracich

A guaranteed, fool proof batting average of .484 for both of us.

Tony Albanese, Wilbur Carroll

A telegram from Pete, saying, "You really are good, Bob. Keep believing it. You Are Good!"

Bob Dinucci

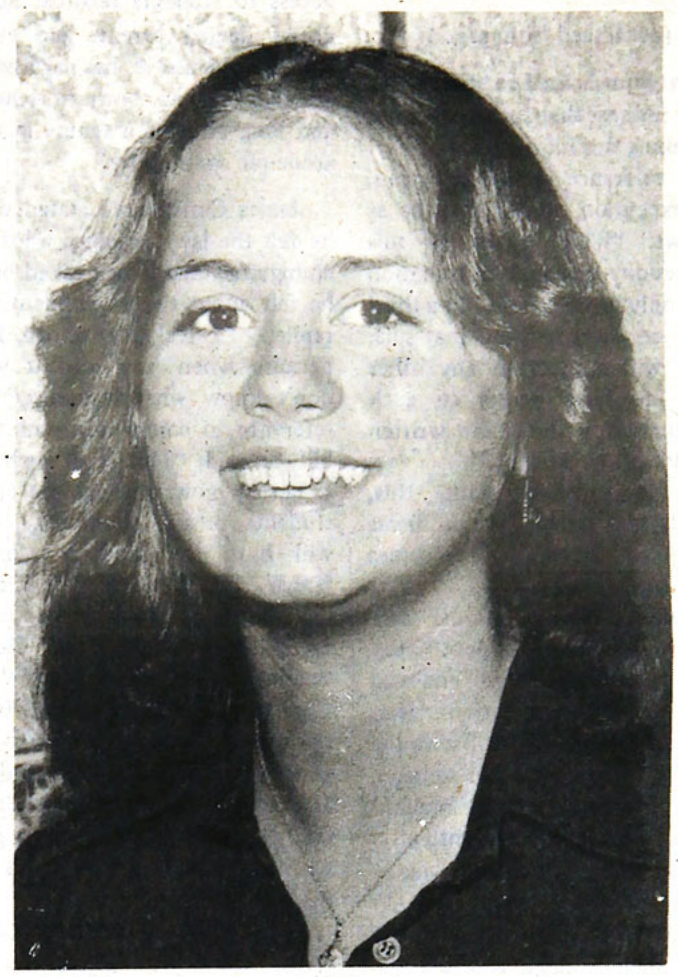
One quick easy do-it-yourself booklet on how to construct a baseball field.

Plant Operations

A record of Mitch Miller entitled, "Come All Ye Faithful."

Coach Kaye, Coach Meyers

Winter Weekend Queen



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